

# Maine HIV Incidence, January 1 to June 30, 2004

During the first six months of 2004, 25 new HIV diagnoses were reported to the Maine Bureau of Health. This number is consistent with the number of reports received during the same time period last year (25 cases were reported in the first six months of 2003). Males who have sex with males continue to be disproportionately affected by HIV in Maine, accounting for 16 of 25 cases (64%). So far this year, 12 people diagnosed with HIV (48%) were simultaneously diagnosed with AIDS, likely indicating they'd been infected with HIV for a long while before seeking testing. It is estimated that approximately 1,200 people in Maine are living with HIV, and that between one-third and one-quarter are unaware of their infection.

The table below shows demographic characteristics for diagnoses made during the first half of 2004. It also presents cumulative data for "People living in Maine with diagnosed HIV infection" (see footnote below).

(rounded percents in parentheses)

Mode of Transmission	New HIV Diagnoses, 1/1/04 to 6/30/04	People living in Maine with diagnosed HIV <sup>1</sup>
Males Who Have Sex with Males (MSM)	16 (64)	520 (53)
Injection Drug Users (IDU)	0	173 (18)
MSM/IDU	0	37 (4)
Received Contaminated Blood Products	0	15 (2)
Heterosexual Contact with At-Risk Partners <sup>2</sup>	3 (12)	129 (13)
Heterosexual, No At-Risk Partners Disclosed	3 (12)	59 (6)
Child Born to Mother with HIV	1 (4)	11 (1)
Undetermined	2 (8)	39 (4)
Total	25 (100)	983 (100)
Sex	New HIV Diagnoses, 1/1/04 to 6/30/04	People living in Maine with diagnosed HIV <sup>1</sup>
Male	20 (80)	811 (83)
Female	5 (20)	172 (17)
Total	25 (100)	983 (100)
Race	New HIV Diagnoses, 1/1/04 to 6/30/04	People living in Maine with diagnosed HIV <sup>1</sup>
White	22 (88)	900 (92)
Black or African American	3 (12)	68 (7)
Asian	0	2 (<1)
American Indian/Alaska Native	0	8 (1)
Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander	0	0
More than one Race	0	0
Some Other Race	0	0
Unknown	0	5 (1)
Total	25 (100)	983 (100)
Ethnicity	New HIV Diagnoses, 1/1/04 to 6/30/04	People living in Maine with diagnosed HIV <sup>1</sup>
Hispanic	2 (8)	49 (5)
Not Hispanic	23 (92)	934 (95)
Unknown	0	0
Total	25 (100)	983 (100)
Age at Diagnosis	New HIV Diagnoses, 1/1/04 to 6/30/04	People living in Maine with diagnosed HIV <sup>1</sup>
less than 13	1	5 (1)
13-19	0	6 (1)
20-29	5 (20)	57 (6)
30-39	2 (8)	217 (22)
40-49	12 (48)	412 (42)
over 49	5 (20)	221 (22)
Unknown	0	65 (7)
Total	25 (100)	983 (100)
Region of Residence	New HIV Diagnoses, 1/1/04 to 6/30/04	People living in Maine with diagnosed HIV <sup>1</sup>
Northern (Aroostook, Hancock, Penobscot, Piscataquis and Washington Counties)	7 (28)	177 (18)
Central (Androscoggin, Franklin, Kennebec, Knox, Lincoln, Oxford, Sagadahoc, Somerset, and Waldo Counties)	11 (44)	297 (30)
Southern (Cumberland and York Counties)	7 (28)	491 (50)
Unknown	0	18 (2)
Total	25 (100)	983 (100)

<sup>1</sup>Includes living AIDS cases and confidential HIV reports made to the Bureau of Health through 6/30/04

<sup>2</sup>Includes partners who are MSM, IDU or partners who are infected with HIV.